STC Meeting August 11, 2005

Attendees:
Denise Fehr, Charlie Smith, Steve Gold, Rod Dehner, Lisa Gauvin, Tom Davis, Dana Dean, Tom Hurd, Margaret Ciechanowicz

Summary:
Charlie Smith presentation on his vision for technology in the State and role of the STC, including handouts from a presentation given earlier to the extended cabinet. Key points:

- The goal for using PlanIT and SkillIT is to create one budget, one perspective to present to the legislature of one coordinated IT plan for the State

- We have a dangerously short term perspective now and we need to invest strategically in IT for the long term. Charlie needs information to understand the IT organization, how much we are spending and where before he can make the case to the legislature.

- Other major areas are: workforce succession planning and business process re-engineering. In terms of business processes we are over complicated and should look to IT as a mechanism for "bringing order" and achieving an enterprise point of view.

- The STC should review and amend the charter somewhat. It should deal with both operational issues and strategic, although it would be important to distinguish these discussions.

- STC is advisory to Denise (CIO) and ultimately to Charlie and has no decision making authority.

- Charlie and Steve would meet with STC at regular intervals and include Agency Secretary's for some of these as well.

Charlie Smith presentation of his 'strategic task' (see handout) was followed by discussion and proposed changes to the project scope. Discussion of the strategic task led to these 'next steps' and understandings:

- STC would provide a project overview document for 3 areas: (1) the use and future of the current IBM systems directly support by DII, (2) the co-location of servers and (3) definition of enterprise and enterprise architecture for the State.

- These documents would be reviewed by STC member, Charlie and Steve to be sure the project scope was consistent with everyone's expectations of the work to be done.

- Proposed completion date was changed to October 1, 2005. [Based on the preliminary project scope and tasks associated with these projects the STC at the 8/25 meeting unanimously agreed to propose a deadline of January 1 in order to adequately cover the topics]

- DMV project would go ahead and is not contingent on completion of the review of the IBM system.

- Exploration of server co-location in Waterbury would be discussed by Margaret and Denise after the STC meeting. [Post STC update – On August 17th a discussion was held discussing the benefits from proceeding with work at Waterbury and Denise concurred that this work should continue and would talk to Charlie]

- Members of STC would attend the CITCAG meeting to involve them in the mainframe review process. [Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 24th, National Life 4th floor, conference room 2].

- STC would review charter and propose changes

- STC meeting for 8/18 cancelled, proposed next meeting 8/25.